The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

As you may know, the TV situation in Santa Barbara is a patchwork system of cable, satellite, and antenna service. Since I am currently using all three access types, I know from experience that the DISH Network Satellite feed is the only one that offers high picture quality at a reasonable price. I have been trying for 4 years to receive all my favorite TV stations via satellite but have been foiled by laws to protect the providers and not the paying public. ALL I want is to have the option to receive local and national stations on the satellite feed. The merger of DISH and DirectTV will accomplish this and I hope that you will support the merger. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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